INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Article 98

Agreement between the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and PAKISTAN

Signed at Washington July 21, 2003



NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Pursuant to Public Law 89—497, approved July 8, 1966 (80 Stat. 271; 1 U.S.C. 113)—

"...the Treaties and Other International Acts Series issued under the authority of the Secretary of State shall be competent evidence... of the treaties, international agreements other than treaties, and proclamations by the President of such treaties and international agreements other than treaties, as the case may be, therein contained, in all the courts of law and equity and of maritime jurisdiction, and in all the tribunals and public offices of the United States, and of the several States, without any further proof or authentication thereof."

PAKISTAN

International Criminal Court: Article 98

Agreement signed at Washington July 21, 2003; Entered into force November 6, 2003. Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan Regarding the Surrender of Persons to International Tribunals

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, hereinafter referred to individually as a "Party" and collectively as "the Parties,"

Reaffirming the importance of bringing to justice those who commit genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes,

Considering that the Parties have each expressed their intention to, where appropriate, investigate and prosecute war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide alleged to have been committed by their respective officials, employees, military personnel, and nationals,

Hereby agree as follows:

- 1. For purposes of this Agreement, "persons" are current or former Government officials, employees (including contractors), or military personnel or nationals of a Party.
- 2. Persons of a Party present in the territory of the other shall not, without the express consent of the first Party,
- (a) be surrendered or transferred by any means to any international tribunal for any purpose, unless such tribunal has been established by the UN Security Council, or
- (b) be surrendered or transferred by any means to any other entity or third country, or expelled to a third country, for the purpose of surrender to or transfer to any international tribunal, unless such tribunal has been established by the UN Security Council.
- 3. When the United States extradites, surrenders, or otherwise transfers a person of Pakistan to a third country, the United States will not agree to the surrender or transfer of that person by any entity or third country to any international tribunal, unless such tribunal has been established by the UN Security Council, without the express consent of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

- 4. When the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan extradites, surrenders or otherwise transfers a person of the United States of America to a third country, the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan will not agree to the surrender or transfer of that person by any entity or third country to any international tribunal, unless such tribunal has been established by the UN Security Council, without the express consent of the Government of the United States.
- 5. Each Party agrees, subject to its international legal obligations, not to knowingly facilitate, consent to, or cooperate with efforts by any entity or third party or country to effect the extradition, surrender, or transfer of a person of the other Party to any international tribunal, unless such tribunal has been established by the UN Security Council.
- 6. This Agreement shall enter into force upon an exchange of notes confirming that each Party has completed the necessary domestic legal requirements to bring the Agreement into force. It will remain in force until one year after the date on which one Party notifies the other of its intent to terminate this Agreement. The provisions of this Agreement shall continue to apply with respect to any act occurring, or any allegation arising, before the effective date of termination.

DONE at Washington this twenty-first day of July, 2003, in duplicate, in the English language.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Christia B. Race

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF

PAKISTAN: